

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1215, The Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act.

House passed H.R. 2115, Flight 100—Century of Aviation Reauthorization.

House committee ordered reported nine sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7651–S7739

Measures Introduced: Sixteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1, S. 1230–1244, S. Res. 166, and S. Con. Res. 53–54.
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Measures Reported:

S. 686, to provide assistance for poison prevention and to stabilize the funding of regional poison control centers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 108–68)
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Measures Passed:

Commending Medgar Wylie Evers and Myrlie Evers-Williams: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 54, commending Medgar Wiley Evers and his widow, Myrlie Evers-Williams for their lives and accomplishments, designating a Medgar Evers National Week of Remembrance.
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Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act: By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 220), Senate passed S. 1215, to sanction the ruling Burmese military junta, to strengthen Burma's democratic forces and support and recognize the National League of Democracy as the legitimate representative of the Burmese people, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto:
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McConnell Amendment No. 882, in the nature of a substitute.
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McConnell Amendment No. 883 (to Amendment No. 882), to clarify the duration of certain sanctions against Burma.
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Energy Policy Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 14, to enhance the energy security of the

United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Alexander Amendment No. 880, to require a report from the Secretary of Energy on natural gas supplies and demand.
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Rejected:

Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 876, to tighten oversight of energy markets. (By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 218), Senate tabled the amendment.)
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Bingaman Amendment No. 881, to provide for a significant environmental review process associated with the development of Indian energy projects and to establish duties of the federal government to Indian tribes in implementing an energy development program. (By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 219), Senate tabled the amendment.)
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Withdrawn:

Reid Modified Amendment No. 877 (to Amendment No. 876), to exclude metals from regulatory oversight by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
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Pending:

Graham (FL) Amendment No. 884, to strike the provision requiring the Secretary of the Interior to conduct an inventory and analysis of oil and natural gas resources beneath all of the waters of the outer Continental Shelf.
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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 12, 2003; that there be 90 minutes of debate remain on the Graham Amendment No. 884 (listed above); and that upon the use of that time, the Senate vote on or in relation to the

amendment, with no amendments in order to the amendment prior to the vote. **Page S7739**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following Nominations:

By unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 216), J. Ronnie Greer, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

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By unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 217), Mark R. Kravitz, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut.

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By unanimous vote of 96 yeas (Vote No. Ex. 215), Richard C. Wesley, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

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Harlon Eugene Costner, of North Carolina, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years. **Page S7739**

Clay Johnson III, of Texas, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget. (Prior to this action, Committee on Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration.)

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Messages From the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—220)

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:57 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 12, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7739.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HEALTH CARE ACCESS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, concluded hearings to examine health care access and affordability, focusing on cost containment strategies, including attention to reducing errors, eliminating waste and duplication in clinical care, modernizing and streamlining administration, promoting transparency and accountability for performance, and aligning financial incentives for physicians, hospitals, and other health care providers to reward high-quality and efficient care, after receiving testimony from Karen Davis, The Commonwealth Fund, New York, New York; Dave Hickman, Mercy Health Network, Des Moines, Iowa; John Mentel, Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, Florida; James F. Fries, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, California; Donald R. Hoover, Rutgers University, Piscataway, New Jersey; and David Bernd, Sentara Healthcare, Norfolk, Virginia, on behalf of the American Hospital Association.

APPROPRIATIONS: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the District of Columbia's local budget request, after receiving testimony from Mayor Anthony A. Williams, Linda W. Cropp, Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, and Natwar Gandhi, Chief Financial Officer for the District of Columbia, all of Washington, D.C.

AUTHORIZATION—FTC

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Competition, Foreign Commerce, and Infrastructure concluded hearings to examine proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Federal Trade Commission, after receiving testimony from Timothy Muris, Chairman, Mozelle W. Thompson, Orson Swindle, and Thomas B. Leary, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Trade Commission; Marc Rotenberg, Electronic Privacy Information Center, Susan Grant, National Consumers League, Larry Sarjeant, U.S. Telecom Association, and Ari Schwartz, Center for Democracy and Technology, all of Washington, D.C.; Sarah Deutsch, Verizon Communications, Silver Spring, Maryland; and Scott Cooper, Hewlett-Packard Company, Palo Alto, California.